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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

QUINN ET AL.

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NASSER

FOR: THERMODILUTION CATHETER HAVING A SAFE, FLEXIBLE

HEATING ELEMENT

UPDATED 37 CFR 1.607 REQUEST FOR AN INTERFERENCE WITH A PATENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

#### I. 37 CFR 1.607(a)(1)

The patent is No. 5,435,308, issued to Gallup et al. on July 25, 1995, entitled "MULTI-PURPOSE MULTI-PARAMETER CARDIAC CATHETER," and assigned at issue to Abbott Laboratories (hereinafter referred to as "the Gallup et al. patent").

#### II. 37 CFR 1.607(a)(2)

Claim 1 or 11 or 16 of the Gallup et al. patent

OR

Claim 45 or 46 or 57 or 58 of the Quinn et al. application.

## III. 37 CFR 1.607(a)(3)

Claims 1-20 in the Gallup et al. patent all correspond to the proposed count.

### IV. 37 CFR 1.607(a)(4)

Claims 45-60 in the Quinn et al. application correspond to the proposed count.

Claims 1, 11, and 16 in the Gallup et al. patent each corresponds identically to a portion of the proposed count. While claims 2-10, 12-15, and 17-20 in the Gallup et al. patent do not correspond identically to any portion of the proposed count, each of those claims depends from a claim which does correspond identically to a portion of the proposed count, and none of those claims adds any limitation which would cause it to define a separate patentable invention within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.601(n).

claims 45, 46, 57, and 58 in the Quinn et al. application each corresponds identically to a portion of the proposed count. While claims 47-56, 59, and 60 do not correspond identically to any portion of the proposed count, each of those claims depends from a claim which corresponds identically to a portion of the proposed count, and applicants do not currently contend that any of those claims contains an additional limitation which would cause it to define a separate patentable invention within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.601(n).

### V. <u>37 CFR 1.607(a)(5)</u>

Claims 45-60 may be applied to applicants' disclosure as follows:

- 45. A multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter comprising:
- a) a multi-lumen main body portion;
- (b) a plurality of extension tubes, each one of said plurality of extension tubes being connected to a respective lumen of said multi-lumen main body portion; and
- (c) an interface connecting said multi-lumen main body portion and said plurality of extension tubes,

## wherein:

- (d) said multi-lumen
  main body portion comprises:
- (i) at least one lumen for holding and supporting fiber optic filaments;
- (ii) at least one lumen for receiving thermal element connectors;
- (iii) at least one lumen for receiving a device for temperature measurement;

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The flexible catheter body portion 100.

Page 16 line 35 - page 17 line 4.

The catheter body junction 106.

See the following paragraphs.

Page 24 line 36 - page 25 line 1.

See Figure 1 and page 16 line 35 - page 17 line 4. The heater extension tube is received in one of the lumens.

See Figure 1 and page 16 line 35 - page 17 line 4. The thermistor or thermocouple extension tube is received in one of the lumens.

(iv) at least one lumen associated with a balloon mounted at the distal end of said multi-lumen main body portion for assisting in placement of said multi-lumen main body portion in a patient; and

See Figure 1 and page 16 line 35 - page 17 line 4. The balloon inflation extension tube is received in one of the lumens.

(v) a port defined
by surfaces of one of the
lumens of said multi-lumen
main body portion, said port
for injecting a fluid into a
blood stream of a patient; and

Page 16 line 35 to page 17 line 2 and page 24 lines 34-36 disclose a proximal injectate lumen and proximal fluid infusion. Page 18 lines 18-23 disclose the injectate port 402 shown in Figure 4(a).

(vi) a fiber optic apparatus including said fiber optic filaments, said fiber optic filaments disposed in said at least one lumen for holding and supporting said fiber optic filaments, and said fiber optic filaments extending from inside said multi-lumen main body portion to a fiber optic coupler associated with the catheter;

Page 24 line 36 - page 25 line 1 and page 25 lines 9-16.

(e) a temperature
measurement apparatus is
mounted at the distal end of
said multi-lumen main body
portion;

The thermistor or thermocouple 104.

(f) wiring extends from the temperature measurement apparatus along said multilumen main body portion and to a housing associated with said multi-lumen main body portion; See Figure 1 and page 17 line 34 - page 18 line 14.

(g) an external thermal element is mounted on said multi-lumen main body portion near the distal end of said multi-lumen main body portion; The heating filament 400.

(h) connectors extend from said external thermal element along said multi-lumen main body portion for connection to a thermal element housing at the proximal end of said multi-lumen main body portion;

The heater filament 400 is connected to the heater connecter 116.

(i) said external thermal element and said temperature measurement apparatus are operative with an external apparatus for providing a measurement of continuous cardiac output of a patient; and

The cardiac output computer is the external apparatus.

(j) said fiber optic apparatus is cooperative with said external apparatus for providing a measurement of mixed venous oxygen saturation of blood of the patient.

Page 24 line 26 - page 25 line 1.

46. A multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter comprising:

See claim 45.

(a) a multi-lumen main
body portion;

See claim 45.

(b) a plurality of extension tubes, each one of said plurality of extension tubes being connected to a respective lumen of said multi-lumen main body portion; and See claim 45.

(c) an interface connecting said multi-lumen main body portion and said plurality of extension tubes,

See claim 45.

wherein:

See claim 45.

- (d) said multi-lumen
  main body portion comprises:
- (i) at least one lumen for holding and supporting fiber optic filaments;

See claim 45.

(ii) at least one lumen for receiving thermal element connectors; See claim 45.

(iii) at least one lumen for receiving a device for temperature measurement;

See claim 45.

(iv) at least one lumen associated with a balloon mounted at the distal end of said multi-lumen main body portion for assisting in placement of said multi-lumen main body portion in a patient;

See claim 45.

(v) a fiber optic apparatus including said fiber optic filaments, said fiber optic filaments in said at least one lumen for holding and supporting said fiber optic filaments, and said fiber optic filaments extending from inside said multi-lumen main body portion to a fiber optic coupler associated with the catheter; and

See claim 45.

(vi) a necked-down
portion near the distal end of

See claim 45.

said multi-lumen main body
portion;

(e) a temperature
measurement apparatus is
mounted at the distal end of
said multi-lumen main body
portion;

See claim 45.

(f) wiring extends from the temperature measurement apparatus along said multilumen main body portion to a housing associated with said multi-lumen main body portion; See claim 45.

(g) an external thermal
element is mounted on said
multi-lumen main body portion
near the distal end of said
multi-lumen main body portion;

See claim 45.

(h) connectors extend from said external thermal element along said multi-lumen main body portion for connection to a thermal element housing at the proximal end of said multilumen main body portion; See claim 45.

(i) said external thermal element and said temperature measurement apparatus are operative with an external apparatus for providing a measurement of continuous cardiac output of a patient; See claim 45.

(j) said fiber optic
apparatus is cooperative with
said external apparatus for

See claim 45.

providing a measurement of mixed venous oxygen saturation of blood of the patient; and

(k) said external
thermal element is mounted on
said necked-down portion.

See claim 45.

47. The multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter of claim 46, wherein said necked-down portion is approximately 14-15 centimeters from the distal end of said multi-lumen main body portion.

Page 18 lines 22-26 and page 22 lines 3-7.

48. The multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter of claim 46 wherein said external thermal element comprises a heater coil wound about said necked-down portion.

Page 18 lines 15-29.

49. The multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter of claim 48, wherein said temperature measurement apparatus comprises a thermistor which is distal said heater coil.

Page 16 lines 21-24 and Figure 4(a).

50. The multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter of claim 48, wherein said heater coil comprises windings pitched at a center-to-center spacing sufficient to separate adjacent coils from one another.

See Figure 4(b) and page 18 lines 18-20.

51. The multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter of claim 48, wherein said heater coil is surrounded by a thin outer sheath to prevent said external thermal element from directly contacting the patient's blood.

Page 18 lines 26-29.

52. The multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter of claim 51, wherein an outer sheath diameter of said thin outer sheath approximates an outer main body portion diameter of said multi-lumen main body portion, thereby facilitating a smooth insertion of said multi-lumen main body portion into the body of the patient.

See Figure 4(b) and page 20 lines 20-31.

- 53. The multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter of claim 45, wherein:
- (a) said port is distal said interface and
- (b) said lumen having the surfaces defining said port is an injectate lumen and said injectate lumen and said port enable injection of an injectate fluid into the blood stream of the patient.
- 54. The multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter of claim 45, wherein said external thermal element comprises a thin film member spirally wound about said multi-lumen main body portion at approximately fourteen

See claim 45.

Page 16 line 37 - page 17 line 1, page 18 lines 22-24, and page 24 lines 34-35.

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Page 18 lines 15-29.

centimeters from the distal end of said multi-lumen main body portion.

- 55. The multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter of claim 45, wherein:
- (a) said external thermal element comprises a heating filament printed on two opposing sides of a substrate and
- (b) said substrate is a thin material that is capable of being incorporated into a filament material that is flexible and has the ability to bond with an adhesive.
- 56. The multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter of claim 45, wherein said external thermal element comprises a layer of material with high thermal conductivity for providing temperature uniformity on a surface of said external thermal element.
- 57. A multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter comprising:
- (a) a multi-lumen main
  body portion;
- (b) a plurality of extension tubes, each one of said plurality of extension tubes being connected to a respective lumen of said multi-lumen main body portion; and

See claim 45.

Page 18 lines 30-31.

Page 18 lines 31-34.

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The flexible catheter body portion 100.

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(c) an interface connecting said multi-lumen main body portion and said plurality of extension tubes, The catheter body junction 106.

#### wherein:

- (d) said multi-lumen main body portion comprises:
- (i) at least one lumen for holding and supporting fiber optic filaments;
- (ii) at least one lumen for receiving thermal element connectors;
- (iii) at least one lumen for receiving a device for temperature measurement;
- (iv) at least one lumen associated with a balloon mounted at the distal end of said multi-lumen main body portion for assisting in placement of said multi-lumen main body portion in a patient;
- (v) a port defined
  by surfaces of one of the
  lumens of said multi-lumen
  main body portion, said port
  for injecting a fluid into a
  blood stream of a patient; and
- (vi) a fiber optic apparatus including said fiber optic filaments, said fiber optic filaments disposed in said at least one lumen for holding and supporting said fiber optic filaments, and

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See Figure 1 and page 16 line 35 - page 17 line 4. The thermistor or thermocouple extension tube is received in one of the lumens.

The balloon inflation extension tube is received in one of the lumens. See Figure 1 and page 16 line 35 - page 17 line 4.

See claim 45.

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wiring extends from the temperature measurement apparatus along said multilumen main body portion to a

(g) a necked-down portion of said multi-lumen main body portion is near the distal end of said multi-lumen main body portion;

housing associated with said multi-lumen main body portion;

(h) an external thermal element is mounted on said necked-down portion;

- (i) connectors extend from said external thermal element along said multi-lumen main body portion for connection to a thermal element housing at the proximal end of said multilumen main body portion;
- (j) said external thermal element and said temperature measurement apparatus are operative with an external apparatus for providing a measurement of continuous cardiac output of a patient; and
- said fiber optic apparatus is cooperative with

The thermistor or thermocouple 104.

See Figure 1 and page 17 line 34 - page 18 line 14.

Page 20 lines 20-31 and page 18 lines 22-26.

See Figure 4(b).

The heating filament 400 is connected to the heater connecter 116.

The cardiac output computer is the external apparatus.

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said external apparatus for providing a measurement of mixed venous oxygen saturation of blood of the patient.

- 58. A multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter comprising:
- (a) a multi-lumen main
  body portion;
- (b) a plurality of extension tubes, each one of said plurality of extension tubes being connected to a respective lumen of said multi-lumen main body portion; and
- (c) an interface connecting said main body portion and said plurality of extension tubes,

#### wherein:

- (d) said multi-lumen
  main body portion comprises:
- (i) at least one lumen for holding and supporting fiber optic filaments;
- (ii) at least one lumen for receiving thermal element connectors;
- (iii) at least one lumen for receiving a device for temperature measurement;
- (iv) at least one lumen associated with a

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The catheter body junction 106.

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See Figure 1 and page 16 line 35 - page 17 line 4. The

balloon mounted at the distal end of said multi-lumen main body portion for assisting in placement of said multi-lumen main body portion in a patient; and balloon inflation extension tube is received in one of the lumens.

(v) a fiber optic apparatus including said fiber optic filaments, said fiber optic filaments in said at least one lumen for holding and supporting said fiber optic filaments, and said fiber optic filaments extending from inside said multi-lumen main body portion to a fiber optic coupler associated with the catheter;

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(e) a temperature
measurement apparatus is
mounted at the distal end of
said multi-lumen main body
portion;

The thermistor or thermocouple 104.

(f) wiring extends from said multi-lumen main body portion to a housing associated with said multilumen main body portion; See Figure 1 and page 17 line 34 - page 18 line 14.

(g) a necked-down
portion of said multi-lumen
main body portion is near the
distal end of said multi-lumen
main body portion;

Page 20 lines 20-31 and page 18 lines 22-26.

(h) an external thermal
element is mounted on said
necked-down portion;

See Figure 4(b).

(i) connectors extend from said external thermal element along said multi-lumen main body portion for connection to a thermal element housing at the

The heating filament 400 is connected to the heater connecter 116.

-15proximal end of said multilumen main body portion; at least one lumen Page 16 line 37 - page 17 (j) of said multi-lumen main body line 1 and page 24 lines 34portion comprises an injectate 35. lumen; Page 24 lines 34-35. said injectate lumen is dedicated to proximal fluid infusion; said external The cardiac output (1)thermal element and said computer is the external temperature measurement apparatus. apparatus are operative with an external apparatus for providing a measurement of continuous cardiac output of a patient; said fiber optic Page 24 line 26 - page 25 (m) apparatus is cooperative with line 1. said external apparatus for providing a measurement of mixed venous oxygen saturation of blood of the patient; and said injectate lumen Passim. (n) has surfaces defining a port and said injectate lumen and said port enable injection of an injectate fluid into the blood stream of the patient. See claim 46. The multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter

See claim 45.

wherein said multi-lumen main body portion further comprises at least one injectate lumen for injecting a fluid into the blood stream of the patient, said injectate lumen having surfaces defining a port.

of claim 46,

60. The multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter of claim 59,

See claim 59.

wherein

(a) said port is distal said interface and

See claim 45.

(b) said injectate lumen and said port enable injection of an injectate fluid into the blood stream of the patient.

See claim 45.

61. A multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter comprising:

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a) a multi-lumen main body portion; The flexible catheter body portion 100.

(b) a plurality of extension tubes, each one of said plurality of extension tubes being connected to a respective lumen of said multi-lumen main body portion; Page 16 line 35 - page 17 line 4.

(c) an interface connecting said multi-lumen main body portion and said plurality of extension tubes, The catheter body junction 106.

### wherein:

(d) said multi-lumen
main body portion comprises:

See the following paragraphs.

(i) at least one lumen for holding and supporting fiber optic filaments; Page 24 line 36 - page 25 line 1.

(ii) at least one lumen for receiving thermal element connectors and associated with a balloon mounted at the distal end of

See Figure 1 and page 16 line 35 - page 17 line 4. The heater extension tube is received in one of the lumens.

-17said multi-lumen main body See Figure 1 and page 16 line 35 - page 17 line 4. portion; balloon inflation extension tube is received in one of the lumens. Also see page 24 lines 33-35. (iii) at least one See Figure 1 and page 16 line 35 - page 17 line 4. lumen for receiving a device for temperature measurement; thermistor or thermocouple extension tube is received in one of the lumens. (iv) at least one See page 16 lines 35-37 lumen dedicated to measuring and page 24 line 33. distal catheter pressure; and a fiber optic Page 24 line 36 - page 25 (V) apparatus including said fiber line 1 and page 25 lines 9-16. optic filaments, said fiber optic filaments disposed in said at least one lumen for holding and supporting said fiber optic filaments, and said fiber optic filaments extending from inside said multi-lumen main body portion to a fiber optic coupler associated with the catheter; (e) a temperature The thermistor or measurement apparatus is thermocouple 104. mounted at the distal end of said multi-lumen main body portion; See Figure 1 and page 17 wiring extends from line 34 - page 18 line 14. the temperature measurement apparatus along said multilumen main body portion and to a housing associated with said multi-lumen main body portion; (g) an external thermal The heating filament 400. element is mounted on said multi-lumen main body portion

near the distal end of said
multi-lumen main body portion;

- (h) connectors extend from said external thermal element along said multi-lumen main body portion for connection to a thermal element housing at the proximal end of said multilumen main body portion;
- (i) said external thermal element and said temperature measurement apparatus are operative with an external apparatus for providing a measurement of continuous cardiac output of a patient; and
- (j) said fiber optic apparatus is cooperative with said external apparatus for providing a measurement of mixed venous oxygen saturation of blood of the patient.
- 62. The multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter of claim 61, wherein said at least one lumen dedicated to measuring distal catheter pressure comprises surfaces defining a port.
- 63. The multi-lumen, multi-purpose cardiac catheter of claim 62, wherein said port is for measuring distal catheter pressure.

is connected to the heater connecter 116.

The heater filament 400

The cardiac output computer is the external apparatus.

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See page 16 lines 35-37 and page 24 line 32.

See page 16 lines 35-37 and page 24 line 32.

### VI. <u>37 CFR 1.607(a)(6)</u>

37 CFR 1.607(a)(6) is inapplicable, since the Gallup et al. patent issued on July 25, 1995 and this updated request is being filed on May 15, 1996.

# VII. <u>37 CFR 1.608</u>

Applicants' effective filing date is January 29, 1991 and the patentees' filing date is July 16, 1992. Accordingly, applicants are not submitting any 37 CFR 1.608 declaration(s).



## VIII. PTO Form 850

Submitted herewith for the convenience of the examiner is a proposed PTO Form 850.

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Explanation of why each claim designated as corresponding to the count is directed to the same patentable invention as the count:

Claims 1, 11, and 16 of the Gallup et al. patent and claims 45, 46, 57, 58, and 61 of the Quinn et al. application each corresponds identically to a portion of the proposed count. While claims 2-10, 12-15, and 17-20 in the Gallup et al. patent and claims 47-56, 59, 60, 62, and 63 in the Quinn et al. application do not correspond identically to any portion of the proposed count, each of those claims depends from a claim which does correspond identically to a portion of the proposed count, and none of those claims adds any limitations which would cause it to define a separate patentable invention within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.601(n).

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# PROPOSED COUNT

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